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STATUS INQUIRY

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Sir:

A New Utility Patent Application was filed in the referenced application on July 17, 2003. Since more than five months have elapsed since that date, and no response to said New Utility Patent Application has been received by attorney for applicant, Applicant respectfully requests that the undersigned attorney be informed of the status of the referenced application.

Respectfully submitted,

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